Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council January 09, 2007 MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT

CALL TO ORDER: 6:40pm by President, Kathy Cheney.

ROLL CALL: Council members present were Kathy Cheney, Sandra Fiegi, Shay Fiegi, Chris Phipps, Kelley Phipps, Betsy Heckel, Todd Kesner, and Leia Miller. Guests present were Sonja Berg and William Chase.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS: Sandra moved, seconded by Chris, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Shay moved, seconded by Betsy, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written. Motion carried. Per Todd, the checking account is not accurately reflecting usable funds because of money coming in from Bar J Wrangler event and bills that need to be paid.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS: William Chase was present to present the Council with a fundraising opportunity called "Connecting the Heart of Bozeman" for \$25.00 per card. Out of that \$25.00, 75% would be kept as profit. The remaining 25% mostly is put back into other youth related activities William is involved with. For every 100 cards sold, we would receive one free card and can keep the profit from that card. He would need a decision by February 01, 2007, as this will go live in the month of February 2007 for all groups involved. These are coupon cards redeemable to local businesses.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sonja brought to the Council's attention that the rates for building use at the Fair Grounds have gone up. She also mentioned that there was bookkeeping problems. The money owed to the Fair Grounds is quite high and she wanted the Council to look into additional help besides working off that debt. Historically, building use was free.

COMMITTEE AND LEADER REPORTS:

- Legislative Breakfast: Todd was in need of a count of all persons attending.
- <u>Christmas Tree Globes</u>: Betsy brought pictures her father took and the tree and the globes look great! The Christmas Globe project was covered in the Belgrade and Chronicle Newspapers as well as on the Extensions home page. Sandra moved, seconded by Kelley that we look into doing the Globes again this winter. Motion carried.
- Montana 4-H Rec Lab: This is a three day instructional event for persons 14 years of age and older. This year Gallatin
 County will host the event on April 20-22, 2007. The registration fee is \$75.00 and includes lodging, meals, and
 registration.
- Bar J Wranglers: This even will be held at Wilson Auditorium on January 13, 2007. Doors open at 6:15pm with the concert starting at 7:00pm. There are only 11,200 seats available as opposed to the 12,000 that we were originally told there would be. Approximately 700 tickets have been sold and we have received approximately \$1,500.00 in sponsor money. At this point, we have broke even, and any other tickets sold or sponsorships received would be our profit. Approximately 10 teen volunteers to serve as ushers and adults to overlook them are needed.
- <u>Leader's Social/Party</u>: Todd will be bringing in the statistics received from this event to the next meeting. At this point, it appears people in attendance were pleased with the training provided.
- <u>Fair Book Changes</u>: Changes to the Fair Book are due in February 2007. There is a Fair Planning Committee Meeting on January 18, 2007.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- <u>Election of Unlimited Representative to serve on Gallatin 4-H Foundation Board</u>: Betsy moved, seconded by Chris, that Kelley Phipps be the Unlimited Representative on the Foundation Board. Motion carried. Kelley moved, seconded by Leia, that Betsy Heckel become one of the Leader Representatives on the Foundation Board. Motion carried.
- MSU Food Grant: Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that we recommend the \$300.00 requested by the MSU Foods project to the Foundation for approval. Motion carried.
- Horse Judging Project Grant: Sandra moved, seconded by Shay, that we amend the Horse Judging Grant to \$400.00 requested to help cover workshop expenses in addition to the reasons already requested on the original grant. Motion carried. Sandra motioned, seconded by Chris, that we recommend the \$400.00 amended Horse Judging Grant to be approved by the Foundation. Motion carried.
- <u>Film Project</u>: MSU student would like to teach and include three 4-H members each from different age groups on a nature filming project. The only question was the time commitment required of the 4-H members.

- <u>Scholarship Request</u>: Pat Stackhouse will be heading to the Western Regional Leaders Forum held in Phoenix, AZ this year. She has funded her attendance to this event for the past eleven years. This year, Pat is receiving the National Volunteer award. The Council decided it would be nice to help her out any way they can. Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that we scholarship Pat \$950.00 (\$300.00 from the Western Regional Leader's Forum and \$650.00 from the State Leader's Forum accounts). Motion carried.
- <u>Card Fundraiser</u>: Betsy motioned, seconded by Sandra, that we go ahead with this fundraiser, and let individual clubs and projects decide if they would like to participate, and let Todd know by February 01, 2007. Motion carried. Sandra, Betsy, Kelley, and Leia will work on setting up a table at Wild West Winter Fest to promote these cards with the proceeds going to the Poultry and Rabbit projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- January 25, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Foundation Winter Meeting
- February 12, 2007 ~ Horse Committee Meeting
- February 13, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
- March 31, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Grant Application Deadline

ADJOURNED: Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that we adjourn at 8:23pm. Motion carried.

Secretary: Leia Miller/klp